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In Union is Strength.

Bolting on the part of the sound money democrats begins very promptly. How far it will extend remains to be seen. Already a division appears among those who cannot support the Chicago platform. Some are going over openly to McKinley, while others, insisting that they are democrats and that the framers of the Chicago deliverance have abandoned the party, are insisting on a ticket of their own.

It will take a little time for these men to get their Learings. Anger and resentment are appermest now, and they are not safe or desirable guides of action. Repudiation of the Chicago platform will of course stand, but the serious question relates to how that may be made most effective.

A greater than a party question is involved. Sound money democrats see in the action of the majority at Chicago not only an offense against democracy, but a menace to the government itself. Which calls for the prompter consideration? If the country is ruined, what matters it about the party? If the country is saved the party can be reorganized. The country first, the party afterwards. That, not improbably, will in the end be the line the protesting sound money democrats will follow; and so, for this year's engagement, a very great many of them are likely to find their way into the rerublican camp.

The silver republicans are likewise grow ing restive, and are detating the action most desirable for them to take. In Kanstates clubs have been formed of men who have never voted any other than the republican ticket who by formal declaration reject the St. Louis platform. They have not pledged themselves to the Chicago nominee. They are waiting for the air to clear before committing themselves fur-

Then the populists are to be taken into account. They are to meet in St. Louis on the 22d in national convention, practically to pass upon the work at Chicago. It ought to please them in many particulars. It does not go far enough in others. More of Tillman and less of Jones of Arkansas would have suited them better. Populism as at present organized is essentially sec onal. It is an attempt to array the great agricultural interests of the south and west against the great manufacturing and commercial interests of the middle states and the east.

Out of all these elements another naional ticket, and possibly several more, may be evolved. These divisions may continue, too, until the campaign is well advanced. But it is to be hoped that before election day arrives there will be a concentration of forces which will insure an emphatic decision at the polls. The country, six months hence, will be in no condition to sustain a result at the polls so divided and unsatisfactory as to require the more delicate governmental agencies to choose and seat the new President. The campaign opens with an almost passiona! feeling on both sides, and this will be kept alive and increased by the appeals from the stump. Very unwisely, as all conservative men consider, a purely business question is to be made the text for excited and exciting political pleading. But the issue is joined, and the fight must now go on, and both the silver men and the sound money men will be called upon to consider the value of the old maxim, that in union is

Have the Ancients Reformed?

Reliable information from some of those who are watching the triumphal progress of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery of Boston through London and its environs is decidedly surprising. A cablegram announces that after being reviewed by the Queen, "the Ancients then reformed," but the character of the reformation is not even outlined. That there is room for several varieties of reform in that wonderful aggregation of valor must be admitted even by intimate friends of the organization, but there is not yet any solution of the mystery as to which reform was decided upon. It surely cannot be that the Ancients solemnly pledged themselves to abstain from the use of all spirituous or malt liquors; that would probably be their last act and would eliminate one of the principal reasons for the continued existence of the company. It may be, however-and to this hope many waiting ones cling with the persistency of despair-that the Ancients did not really reform. It has been their custom to promise to reform, and the chances are that a careless journalist, excited by the combined presence of royalty and the Ancients, mistook the promise to reform for the actual reformation. The people of Boston are awaiting anxiously the precise facts in the

It was very unfair-from the purely agricultural standpoint-for Farmer Bryan to appear in person before the Chicago convention while Farmer Bland was represented only by friends and lithographs. Bland stock, however, went up a trifle when it was announced that when last heard from Silver Dick was sitting on his porch; his coat off, collarless, and with vest unbuttoned.

General Weyler's campaign has been going ahead as usual, but owing to the pressure of convention news, much of it has been crowded out for lack of space.

Unjust to the Press.

Edward Everett Hale is now, as for some years past, earnestly engaged in doing his utmost to hasten the coming of that day when the nations shall war no more. Dr. Hale is an enthusiastic advocate of arbitration. He is always enthusiastic, no matter which side of any question he may happen to be on, and sometimes his enthusiasm leads him into error more or less serious. Addressing the Arbitration Conference at Lake Mohonk recently, Dr. Hale told of the Arbitration Conference which met here last April, and in his story of that memorable gathering said that an accident to one of President Cleveland's horses—as a result of which the President might easily have been injured or even killed—"took up more of danger futile.

of the attention, and twice as much space in the journals, of the city of Washington, as the proceedings of the great interna tional arbitration conference on the same day." That is a positive statement made in a positive manner by a positive man. It is not merely positive, though; it is untrue, and consequently unfair. The President's casualty-serious as its possibilities were-was given a scant half column in an inside page of The Star, while the conference proceedings of that same day received more than three columns, illustrated and conspicuously displayed. On the two days next previous The Star gave the conference more than three columns and a half of mainly first-page space, while on the convention's last day the report exceeded two columns. No account is taken of the quantity of convention matter printed in advance of the meeting or of the editorial comment devoted to the topic of arbitra-

A Street-Sprinkling Suggestion.

Washington's streets are kept moderate ly clean-about as clean as they are ever likely to be while the unsatisfactory contract system prevails in municipal government-but they are nothing like as clean as they ought to be. One of the weakest spots in the method locally in vogue is the sprinkling which is preparatory to the sweeping; it may do fairly well on streets paved with Belgian block but it is largely a failure on asphalt. Similar weakness exists in New York, where an official has made complaint about it, saying:

"In regard to sprinkling asphalt pave-ments, it is recommended that when dirty they be given a copious supply of water so as to make a fluid mud, which can be partially removed by brooms, or entirely re moved by rubber squeegees, somewhat larger than those used in window-cleaning. If the parties watering the streets cannot supply sufficient water to make the mud fluid, they should be urged to reduce the holes in their sprinklers so that no mud will be formed even though more numerous sprinklings be needed, or else the streets should be sprinkled by those who clean them. The practice of the sprinklers has been to use about enough water to form a slippery but not fluid mud."

Asphalted streets are comparatively scarce in New York yet the nuisance from which this city has suffered long has been sufficient to attract attention. The Engineering Record wants the work of sprinkling and cleaning New York's asphalt pavements taken away from the contractors and placed in charge of the city's streetcleaning department; from which it should never have been separated. The reform would result in less dust in dry weather and no mud to make the asphalt slippery in wet weather. Why may there not be mere water used in the local sprinkling precess? Or must we wait for municipal street-sweeping before sufficient water will be used?

There is no denying the fact that Mr. Bryan showed great ability in making the most of a good opening. He will never have to reproach himself with having wasted his opportunities, even if his boom dees not find its way to complete success.

Two hundred and fifty-three persons wer said to be employed today on the new city pest effice building. This estimate makes no rote of the Christian Endeavorers who held a noon prayer meeting in the court

Senator Hill's admirers will for the present have to fall back on the axiom that one of the first qualifications of a good fighter is his ability to stand punishment

There is no means of definitely ascertaining the exact degree of Senator Hill's disappointment over his failure to get a vote of confidence in the administration. Under the circumstances it is not sur-

prising that Mr. Cleveland. sportsman, should drop his private wire and get a fishing line. Mr. Bryan remarked, "What we need is

an Andrew Jackson," and then modesty stepped in and forbade his going into further particulars.

A ringing denunctation of the third term idea delivered some months ago by the President would be a comfort to him just

Mr. Hill continues to declare that he is a democrat, but does not undertake to classify the other fellows.

No man but Tillman would have had the emerity to quote Byron at a political con-

Mr. Tillman carried his audience by storm, but it was a snow storm.

SHOOTING STARS. A Prescription.

The young woman who takes music lessons and practices scales, had announced

to her friends that she was going away. "Isn't it rather a sudden determination?" "Yes. It's the doctor's orders." "Why, you don't look the least bit ill."

"Oh, I'm perfectly well, Auntie is the ne who is sick." Human Nature.

A man'll kick 'bout gittin' up ter lock the kitchen door; Ef baby's sick, he'll scold because he

ter walk the floor; But when there's votin' goin' on He'll hang around clean up to dawn, -ketchin' cold an' hollerin' ontel his throat is sore.

"De wus t'ing 'bout er billious man," said Uncle Eben, "Is dat he'd rather make somebody else mis'ble dan ter git cured

Comparing Notes.

"I have made some very interesting disecveries," remarked the scientist. "While I was in the southwestern part of the country I found a building full of strange nscriptions and curious characters." "That's remarkable," replied the energetic friend. "I have just had a very simiar experience.'

"Have you been out on an expedition?" "Yes. I've just got back from a political

The Familiar Cry.

"Yes," she said, "I decided to come home don't think I shall go away for the summer any more. "What was the objection to the summer

esort?" "It's the same old story-sixteen to one." "Everybody talking politics?" "No. The average was sixteen girls to

ne young man." A Later Version. The shades of night were falling fast And o'er a man their gloom was cast,

Who, carrying the banner, passed, 'Free Silver or Bust." Quoth he, "I'll climb at any cost!" The public cried, "Look out for frost!" But in reply these words he tossed,

"Free Silver or Bust!" Alas, how often people must Discover that they vainly trust! Some got free silver. He got just the "Bust."

Riotous and Revolutionary.

the New York Herald. The silver fanatics and populists have demonstrated both their power and their recklessness at Chicago. Driven on by the fury of Tillman, Altgeld and other wild

Tomorrow Sees the End

of most all of the special sales we've been having this week. Follow 'em up closely because there hasn't been any such offerings made before this season-nor are? they likely again-

Boys' Long Pants-

Choice of several lots of Boys' All-wool Long Pants, in reat, sensible patterns-\$1.50 and \$1.75 ones

"Boys' Flannel Waists.

and \$2.50 French Flannel Waists-

50C.

Boys' Percale

Shirt Waists. Choice of Best Garner Percale Shirt Waists-Star brand-in small sizes only, 4, 5 and 6. Have been 75c.

45C.

Boys' Wash Sailor Suits.

You may subtract one-third from the marked price of any Boys' Short Pants Wash Sailor in the house. They're beauties-in sizes 3 to 12. 32c. for all 48c. ones. 40c. for all 60c. ones. 50c. for all 75c. ones. 65c. for all 98c. ones. \$1.60 for all \$1.50 ones. \$1.17 for all \$1.75 ones. \$1.34 for all \$2.00 ones. \$1.50 for all \$2.25 ones. \$1.67 for all \$2.50 ones. \$2.00 for all \$3.00 ones. \$2.34 for all \$3.50 ones.

Men's \$12.50, \$13.50 and \$15\$7.00

Any Man's Straw Hat...... 68c.

Broken lots 5 and 6 Shoes....\$2.00 Every pair of Men's Pantsgreatly reduced.

Saks & Company,

Painless Extracting

with pure gas or by applica-half the charge of other first-

> Painless fillings, 75c. up Very best teeth, \$8.

Dental Ass'n, Cor. 7th & D Sts.

KNEESSI, 425 7th st. Some folks are too wise to pay so much for traveling bags and traveling. They come here and save the difference between ours and others' prices. Alligator Club Bags for \$1. Telescope Cases for 35c. up.

....... Open till 10 p.m. this week

Grain Leather Cabin Bags, \$2.50.

34 Photographic Views of

Protection : Against Sun & Rain:

We show a line of Umbrellas that is second to none . -quality, price, durability: and workmanship all considered. Next time you feel the need of an umbrella think of : these values.

Men's English Gloria \$1.50 Umbrellas, strongly made, brellas, urequaled at the \$2.00

Other grades-other prices-but all See our \$5.50 Trunks.

1231=1233 Pa. Avenue. FACTORY, 1218-1220 E ST. Trunk repairing a specialty.

.......

Barber & Ross, G and 11th Sts.

Every gas range price cut.

We find we've too many gas ranges for this season of the year, and rather than carry them over shall reduce their price to but little in advance of cost. Only the best ranges every one guaranteed 2-burner Gas Range, with oven Wolf Gas Cooker-a 3-burner range, with oven and broller and \$8.25 all connections made, for........\$8.25

2-burner......\$13 3-burner.....\$14

4-burner......\$15 Barber & Ross, Cor. G & 11th Sts.

Ironing and meal cooking made easy Get a BLUE-FLAME Oil Stove—nothing on earth surpasses them for economy and cleanliness.

Simple as can be in construction. Can't get out of order—and last for a half dozen years. All sizes and at all prices.

R. M. HARROVER—note the address—438 9th n.w. ty6-m,w,f,6

We close at m. Saturdays—and 5 o'clock other days—aring July and August. "WELCOME" HANGS OVER OUR DOOR.

"Comer" In Shirts.

The semi-annual Shirt Sale is in full blast. Bigger values than ever before are creating a bigger demand. From every point of viewyours and ours-the offering is an immense success.

The 39c. Leader.

There never was a closer sold commodity than these Shirts for 30c. They measure up in every detail equal to the regular 50c. grades.

You must understand that it is a product of effort. We demand of the makers the greatest skill their talent is capable of. We put into their hands the best materials we can buy for the money. Nearly the whole 39c. is spent in the creation. Note the points of good-

The bosoms are linen-good linen. They are cut out separately and set in, which is an advantage. It has patent gussets and stays that contribute wear, worth and comfort. It is reinforced back and front-the tearable points are carefully sewed. Continuous facings - another ele-ment that means service.

ness:-

The bosoms are S inches wide and 16 inches long. Dimensions that suit ninety-nine men out of a hundred.

The body is made of superior grade of cotton-cut 36 inches long and as wide as it should be. The bosoms have eyelets-that don't wear out like buttonboles

All sizes-14 to 18. All sleeve lengths-from 31 to 34. You know how we conduct these sales. Make up a stipulated quantity of Shirts-and when they are sold there are no more to be had for six months. Less than 40 dozen of these "thirty-niners" are left now.

The 5oc. Leader.

Better than the usual 50c. Shirts—a great deal better material and making both. All sizes and nothing skimpy or stingy about them.

Here is a list of their specially good points-New York Mills Muslin-1900 linen bosoms-hand-worked buttonboles inserted boson - palent gussets and

stays-reinforced back and frent-flat. You don't find all these excellences for 50c. every day.

The 59c. Leader. In quality a par value

with the 50c. offering. The extra nine cents buys extra labor in making. They are open both front and back, while the 50-center opens only in back. Nine cents for a whim-and cheap enough for it at that.

The 79c. Special.

We are almost tempted to guarantee that \$1.25 couldn't buy a better Shirt than this. Why should it? It is made of the best qualities of muslin and linen-by experts. Fits perfectly—comfortably.

They are unlaundered. We want you to see the worth unveiled-without the asassistance of starch and a polishing iron.

All sizes-14 to 161.

Night Shirts.

Three lines-and all three are extra values for the money. Some are plain White-others are tastefully trimmed-sizes 14 to 20. Don't be afraid to make comparisons-but rate ours as being worth far in advance of what they are being of-

50c., 75c. and \$1.

Hosiery.

You can put this down as a bargain. One that you won't come across again in a hurry-200 dozen 19c. Half Hose, in assorted shades of Tan and solid Black fast colors—.

2 pairs for 25c.

You bicyclists who want Hosiery had better bear this in mind. We can show you the newest and best at all prices from 590; to \$1.25.

We never half do a thing -do we? Special Suspenders.

No comment is necessary. 100 dozen Elastic, Cord-end Sus-penders, in plain White and Mode shades, and fancy effects— HIC.

Just such a Suspender as is 19c. everywhere in the United States.

'Ninth and The Avenue.'

The best at the lowest price at Beveridge's.

The Liberty Bell, \$1.25

Souvenirs

—of all kinds are here—including Plates—showing the "White Lot," Monument—Bureau Engraving and Printing—C. E. Tents, etc., 50c. Pin Trays, with C. E. Flag, 25c., and numerous other novelties, at

Beveridge, 1215 F St. and 1214 G St.

Reeves,

66 Day Specials."

The following prices are good until 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 17.

Owing to the great rush of convention week we are unable to prepare our usual list of specials, and to partially compensate you for the disappointment we make the greatest cut ever made on our famous

"California" Flour,

Per Barrel = = = = \$4.60. Per 1/4 = bbl. Sack = = = \$1.20

Regular price, \$5.25 bbl. or \$1.35 4-bbl. sack. Remember, this price is positively for 6 days only.

Best Granulated Sugar. 434c. per Pound. "Sweets for the Sweet."

47c. per Pound. We guarantee our Chocolates and Bon Bons to be "absolutely pure." and the finest in this city.

Look for our special ad, in next Friday's Star.

Reeves, Poole & Co..

GROCERS, ROASTERS OF COFFEE AND MANU-FACTURERS OF FINE CONFECTIONS,

1200 F St. N. W.

\$1.85 OXFORD SALE.

-Just look in our big F st. window and see what a sale like ours meanswhat Shoes it offers-Shoes that can't be bettered in fit-Shoes of superior make and irreproachable quality. You'll appreciate the offer.

Come in the Morning -Saturday. We close at 1. And come Saturday,

or you may be disap-

pointed. -Chocolate Oxfords and Blacks - and one style High-lace Chocolate Shoe.

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Best qualities—lowest prices At SHEDD'S. Economy Says Buy

A Gas Range -but be sure you get the right kind-some gas stoves and ranges consume an awful lot of gas and do not bake very 'The Reliable"

Gas Range, Only \$13 a good baker. \$13 up, complete. Extra Large Tin Ovens, \$1.75. Best 2-burner Gas Stoves. .\$1. Best 1-burner Gas Stoves.35c.

SHEDD and Bro. PLUMBING-432 9th St.-GAS FIXTURES. ૺ૾૾૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽૽ૺ "HYOMEI" - BOOTH'S POCKET INHALER.— Washington office, Room 56, Washington Loan and Trust bldg., cor. 9th and F sts. J. H. FITCH, Manager, ap22-w,t,m,ly Artistic and

Beautiful.

Useful and Ornamental.

SOUVENIRS

C. E. FRIENDS.

It is the vulgar mind that associates merit only with costliness. What does the Bible tell us of the lily of the valley and Solomon in all his glory? Residents wishing to present visiting C. E. friends with a memento of this occasion, or C. E. visitors desiring to remember friends at home, may profitably learn of these 25-cent Souvenirs at the

Palais Royal,

Photographs. Stationery. 25c for forty-eight sheets of Best Linen Writing Paper and fift; Envelopes, in box bearing

Chinaware.

kinds, Candlesticks, etc., etc.

twice twenty-five cents.

Fans.

Ribbons.

25c bruch for Genuine French

Flowers,-an importer's stock

Books.

25c for Artistically Cloth P. Roe, Frank Stockton, Amelia Barr, Charles Reade and

Paper Weights. 25c for big Glass Paper Weights with photograph of White House, Capitol, etc., etc.

For Pocket. 25c for Pocket Comb, Button Hook and Mirror, with view of Washington buildings outside of

Trays.

25c for choice of Folding Pocket Fans, Illuminated Japanese Fars or White Feather the latter worth 59 cents

25c yard for Best Taffeta Silk Ribbons, 3½ to 5 inches wide. 14 yards make a how for the neck. We'll make the 25c for Shirt or Shirt Waist bow for you. Sets, consisting of collar but ton, three studs and link cuff Flowers. buttons, each piece stamped

> has been secured in our favor es are worth 50 cents. For Perfume.

Gloves.

25c for \$1 and \$1.50 Kid small and large sizes, that's why we are willing to distrib-

Purses.

25e for beautifully decorated 25c for Mother of Pearl pieces, each with the word Washington in gold letters:-Purses. And 25 cents will buy a Combination Pocket Book and Pin Trays with W. views; Cup Card Case of leather

and Saucer tied with silk rib-bon: Match Boxes, Plates of all Shopping Bags. 25c for Leather Shopping Bags that are much better quality than you'll expect for the price

Memo. Books. 25c for Memorandum Books with pencil. Washington views Neckwear. 25c for Japanese Silk Windso Drinking Cups. and a ready-to-wear Bow. The

two for worth of one. 100 25c for Glass Drinking Cup dozen to select from; puzzling in leather case. Looks worth variety of styles and colors. For Men. 25c for choice of Men's Bi

cycle Hese, superior Suspend

ers, Silk Neckwear, Pure Linen Handker-hiefs. Only \$1 for six pairs 25c Half Hose in box. Dresses. 25c for Californ's Dresses in sizes 6 months to 4 years. Yoke-body with ruffles at neck, wide-skirt with deep hem. Materials, white cambric and pacity col-ors in percales, ginghams and lawns.

Blouses. 25c for Boys' Blouses in sizes 3 to 8 years. They are made of white lawn with large sallor collar and ruffle of colored dim-

Dolls. 25c for French Bisque Dolls, 12 inches high. They have beautiful curly bair, laughing cyes, dimpled chins, jointed

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25c for Good Pocket Keive ers, with leather-covered buckle (Continued above, Beautiful "Art" Ribbons. Only

Called "Art" Ribbons, but they are like nature—as if made of the foliage they imitate. And such lovely shades of greens! 19c yard for those 3 inches wide. 25c yard for those 31 to 5 inches. 25c to 48c yard

are the proper prices of these Art Ribbons. Flowers True to Nature.

68c Flowers.

48c Flowers. 25c Flowers. 623 bunches of Best French Flowers will be added to stock tomorrow morning. The importer closes his summer season with the sale of his entire surplus stock to us, at a price enabling the advertising of

Flowers worth 25c to 68c bunch at only 15 cents for choice.

The 15c. Flowers Reduced to 5c. The Flowers previously here at 15 cents bunch now seem inferior values. They shall be placed on bargain tables tomorrow at only 5c

Best White Chamois Gloves.

They cannot

It is best.

Guaranteed

be better. to wash. You may pay 85 cents at some stores and \$1 at others, but you can not buy better quality White Chamois Mousquetaire Gloves-because none can be better than the best. Regular patrons who have been

Reduced to 25c from \$1 and \$1.50. Too many small and large sizes of \$1 and \$1.50 Kid Gloves. The heroic remedy is to reduce the price so tremendously that every woman

who can wear such gloves will be a purchaser. A half-day sale will

Woodbury's "Facial" Soap. It is purest.

waiting are notified that all sizes are again here.

suffice. Tomorrow the half-day-we close I p.m.

Physicians

Other good Soaps are Packer's Tar at 14c, Cuticura at 14c, Pears at 8c, Lon's Turtle Oil at 6c, La Parisienne and Elder Flower at 4c, and half pound bars of pure Glycerine Soap at only 10c.

Other Recommended Toilet Articles.

Face Powder at 18c instead of 25c. Loonen's Tooth Brushes at 18c instead of 25c. "Sanitas" Napkins at 35c. instead of 43c dozen. Improved Safety Belts at 21c instead of 25c. The Best Shirt Waists Cheap.

prices quoted for today will be continued until closing time tomorrow

Bailey's Complexion Brushes at 39c instead of 50c. Sanglangue's

Regular patrons know that Waists worth up to \$2.50 are on the first floor bargain tables at 49c, 68c, 98c and \$1.39 for choice. The special

-until I p.m. Regular prices, Tomorrow's prices, 8oc 30C 50C

THE PALAIS ROYAL, A LISNER, Of a 11th Sts.

Note that Misses' Waists are in the 50c lot. Note, too, that each has the original price marked on the collar band - 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48. Choice tomorrow for 59 cents. Sizes 9 to 16 years.

G and Eleventh Streets......A. Lisner, Proprietor.

25c for Views of Washington on white celluloid, with frame in delicate colors. the inscription of the U.S.

other famous authors.

Handkerchiefs. 25c for two warranted Pure Linen Handkerchiefs with handembroidered initial in corner. 25c for Silver-plated Trays

25c for Warranted Sterling Silver Button Hooks, Nail Files Shirt Sets.

Jewelry.

with the words "Sterling Silver," and so guaranteed.

Belts. 25c for choice of Silk Belts with silver filagree backle and Leather Belts in white and col-

25c for Beautiful Atomizer that looks and is worth twice